Coming Events

| Term 3, Week 10 | Monday, 14/9 | Trivia Time for Kids - 12-1.30pm |
| Term 3, Week 10 | Thursday, 17/9 | Kinder 2016 – Transition Treasure Hunt – 9.15 – 10.15am |
| Term 3, Week 10 | Friday, 18/9 | Gymnastics Program – K-6 – Be Skilled Be Fit |
|                  |              | Sausage Sizzle – 1S parents requested to assist |
|                  |              | PSSA – vs Ermington PS @ Meadowbank Park |
|                  |              | LAST DAY OF TERM |

| Term 4, Week 1  | Monday, 5/10 | Public Holiday |
| Term 4, Week 1  | Tuesday, 6/10 | Students Return to school |
| Term 4, Week 1  | Friday, 9/10 | PSSA – vs Kent Road PS @ Kent Road |

| Term 4, Week 2  | Tuesday, 13/10 | K-1 Calmsley Hill Farm Excursion |
| Term 4, Week 2  | Thursday, 15/10 | Assembly – 4/5 to host |
| Term 4, Week 2  | Friday, 16/10 | Sausage Sizzle – Class KE parents to assist |
| Term 4, Week 2  |              | PSSA – vs Meadowbank PS @ Meadowbank Park |

| Term 4, Week 3  | Monday, 19/10 | P&C Meeting – 7.30pm |
| Term 4, Week 3  | Thursday, 22/10 | Tuckertime – Amber/Green – Class 2/1 O to host |
| Term 4, Week 3  | Friday, 23/10 | Market Day Drop Off Day – Volunteers required |
| Term 4, Week 3  | Saturday, 24/10 | MARKET DAY |

Principal’s Report

Time flies when we are having fun and learning. Term 3 has flown by. Congratulations to all students on their continued learning efforts and learning achievements. The best part of my day is the time when students come to the office to celebrate their learning journey. I hope that the term break will provide plenty of rest and relaxation and lots of reading opportunities for our hard working students. I will be on Long Service Leave for the first weeks of Term 4. Miss Alice Mee will relieve as principal during my absence.

School Swimming Scheme

The Department’s School Swimming Scheme will be held once again in Term 4. The swim scheme will be held over 10 days during Weeks 9 and Week 10.

Students from Year 1 who cannot swim 25 metres confidently are invited to attend. Priority places will be given to older students first who need to develop this life enabling skill. The program focuses on developing basic swimming and survival skills. Please be aware the cost of this program is $140. This
covers bus travel and pool entry for the two weeks. Lessons are provided free from the Department’s Sports Unit instructors.

There are 45 places available so if your child is in need of swimming lessons, this is a great opportunity for students who are not strong swimmers to develop skills and build their confidence.

**Summer Uniform**

Have you noticed how your child has grown over the last few months? Then head on over to the uniform shop to stock up on a new summer uniform. The uniform shop is open on Monday and Friday mornings and is manned by enthusiastic volunteers. If you are unable to come personally the uniform order form is on the school website. Print it off, send it in and the uniform will be delivered to your child’s class.

There is a plentiful supply of our new school hat as well.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to these students who achieved Credits, Merits and Distinctions in the recent ICAS Exam in English.

Declan B, Arjun, Ryan S, Oscar, Harrison, Kieran, Tamsin and Kamryn

**School Transition 1  A Treasure Hunt**

This Thursday morning we welcome our 2016 new kindergarten students to Melrose Park PS for a Treasure Hunt. Mrs Spenceley is organising a special activity to help our new students and families find their way around the school. This activity will commence at 9.15 for about an hour. There will be more transition activities to look forward to in Term 4.

**Principal’s Award for Book Work**

The following children will be receiving a Principal’s Award at this week’s assembly:

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**Clare Kristensen**  
Principal

**Assistant Principal’s Report**  

**Survey School Website and Communication Survey**

We are seeking your feedback on our website and school communication. Our website is aimed to promote our school and act as a communication tool. We also use the Skoolbag app to send out the newsletter, notifications and other reminders. The survey is short and easy to complete and you have a chance to enter your name in a raffle to **win one of 5 quality children’s books**.

Please enter the link below to access the survey.

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L73NLTB](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L73NLTB)

We look forward to your feedback.

**Jen Riley**  
Assistant Principal
Sports Report
Basketball Skills Program
Melrose Park has been successful in receiving a grant from ‘Sporting Schools’ to fund the running of basketball skills sessions in term 4. We have selected a 6 week program, run by Aussie Hoops linked to Basketball Australia. Notes will be sent home this week and the program will commence on Monday, 12 October (Week 2, Term 4). There will be no cost for this program.

School Swim Scheme
We will be participating in the School Swim Scheme at the end of Term 4. This program is open to students in Years 1-6. Unfortunately, we may not be able to take all interested students. Expressions of interest will be sent to families and the children will be chosen from these. The program focuses on developing basic swimming and survival skills, so students who cannot already swim or who are not strong swimmers are encouraged to participate. Please be aware the cost of this program is $140. This covers bus travel and pool entry for the two weeks. More information to come early next term.

Alex Roberts
PDHPE Co-ordinator

Student Voice
Trivia Time
Yesterday, Melrose Park had an amazing day and everyone had lots of fun at Trivia Time. We had 5 categories that had 10 questions in each. These categories were: Numbers, Australia, Colours, Animals and TV/Movies.

There were games after every 2 rounds, that all of the children participated in. We raised $260, which will be put towards our music program.

Student Voice thought that the idea was great and would like to do it again next year. We will have many more great ideas to come throughout the year.
Latest news

Chess class
The chess class at Melrose Park Public School runs on Tuesday lunch from 11:15 am - 12:00 pm. If you are interested in joining the chess class, please contact the Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170 or via enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

Upcoming chess events
19th September: Parramatta Saturday Fun Tournament
24-25th September: Parramatta Holiday Chess Camp

More information on coaching and events can be found on www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au

Solution puzzle #16
1. Rb5, c6 2. Rb8#

Chess puzzle

Puzzle #17: White to play and checkmate in 2 moves.

P&C Report

Fete & Market Day Information
The big day is approaching only 3 weeks into the new term, with lots of things happening in the lead up.

General Information about the day:
- Please start collecting plastic bags for the White Elephant stall that we hold at the Fete.
- We will also be looking for donations of baskets that could be used for the hampers; these can be dropped into the office from beginning of Term 4.
- We will take all white elephant stall donations on Friday 23rd October from 8am, so over the next 2 months get together any unwanted second hand goods that are in good condition for the stall e.g. Clothes (separated by size/gender), toys, books, electrical, furniture, kitchen items etc. Due to storage limitations we are unable to store anything prior to this date.
- If anyone has any coat hangers they would like to donate please bring them in early term 4.

Performers for Fete & Market Day
If anyone is interested in performing at the big day in October please contact the P&C. All performances will be held in the hall this year.

Hamper Donations for Fete/Market Day
Attached to this newsletter is the flyer for the hamper donations. For the new parents we will be sending home a bag on the first day back of Term 4 for you to put a new item/s in the bag and return on Monday 12th October. There is pre warning about the bag in case people want to purchase hamper items during the holidays. All items donated will go towards making the hampers that will be used for prizes for the Chocolate Wheel.

Sausage Sizzle
The last Sausage Sizzle for this term is THIS Friday, 18th September and 1S will be the host. If you are able to help on this day, please leave a message in the office for Yasmin Adami or contact Yasmin on 0432 420 628, or our P&C email below.

P&C Meeting
Our next P&C meeting is Monday 19th October @ 7.30pm.

At Melrose Park Public School we are Respectful Responsible Learners
Woolworths Earn and Learn
All the stickers are due back by this **Friday 18th September** if you could drop them in the office or send them in with your kids.

School Banking
This is on Wednesday morning in the canteen.

Dates to Remember for Term 4:
**Term 4**
7th October – Hamper bags going home
12th October – Hamper donations due back for Fete/Market day
13th October – Cake Boxes for Fete/Market Day going home
15th October – Hamper Making night from 6pm - 8pm
19th October – P&C Meeting
23rd October – White Elephant stall donations dropped off today
23rd October – Cake donations due back (or morning of Fete by 9am)
24th October – Fete & Market Day

If you would like to contact me, my details are:
Mobile – 0416 130 274
Email – melroseparkpc@hotmail.com
Cathy Lincoln
Like us on Facebook: Melrose Park PS P&C
HAMPER DONATIONS FOR MARKET DAY

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As you are all aware, Market Day is nearing – Saturday 24th October!!.

The P&C will be holding a chocolate wheel with prizes as well as selling amazing hampers full of goodies - BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

We would like each family to supply at least 1 bag of NEW goodies to donate for the hampers. Suggestions include:

- Gardening items
- Cooking utensils
- BBQ tools
- Fishing equipment
- Beauty products
- Baby items
- Toys and games

Please make sure that the items are new (not second hand). Anyone who has spare baskets, these are also needed.

Please return items by Monday 12th October

Melrose Park P & C team.

PLEASE RETURN ANY BAGS THAT ARE NOT USED
Bags will be sent home on first day back Term 4 - 6th October.
TERM 4

SAUSAGE SIZZLE DAY – TERM ORDER FORM
FRIDAY, 16th October (First One)

Form must be returned with the money by **Wednesday, 14th October**. Please put order form and money in a sealed envelope or indicate paid via EFT.

(Please choose beef or chicken sausage and choose lemonade only or any flavour ice block)

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**Term Order Only - Term 4, 2015** (5 Sausage Sizzles this term)

(All direct deposits must be processed by 4pm on Wednesday 14th October 2015, if they are not paid and no alternate arrangement has been made a term ticket will not be created for your child)

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